

address 10 Southwell Gardens  
London S.W. 10 June 1885

My dear Gray

I had already written  
to you but must send a  
few lines to thank you for  
your very interesting letter  
& for letting us know that  
you & Miss Gray have returned  
in good condition from  
the trip which must have been  
thoroughly enjoyable - Since I  
wrote our house has been thoroughly  
upset by my elder son being  
attacked by Scarlatina -  
My wife who has had it

insisted on undertaking the  
case with the help of a trained  
Nurse - My second son sent  
into lodgings & I am sleeping  
at a hotel & see my wife  
only at a very respectful distance.

The case has been going on as  
favorably as possible & the patient  
is now in the convalescent  
stage when the danger of infection  
is greatest so strict quarantine  
regulations are enforced -

It has been hardest in my wife  
who is not strong - but she has  
insisted - To me it has taken  
the shape of interfering with

my work - I have not been to  
Kew & I don't know whether the  
plants which have been there  
for 2 or 3 months are yet  
despatched -

It is understood that the South  
American plants are to follow  
later

With affectionate greetings  
to Mrs Gray

Ever yours

J Wall